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In re Patent Application of:
Honjo et al.

Application No.: 10/767,783

Group Art Unit: 1754

Filed: January 29, 2004

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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING MERCURY IN
EXHAUST GAS AND SYSTEM THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2007, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application. In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

I. Claims 1-4, drawn to a system for removing mercury; and

II. Claims 5-9, drawn to a method for removing mercury.

In response, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, corresponding to claims 5-9. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application corresponding to the non-

elected claims.

In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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